

LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE
Southside Regional Local Human Rights Committee
Meeting of April 27, 2012

*****FINAL*****

PRESENT

Kathleen Dring, Psy.D., LHRC Chair
Tracy Ferguson, LHRC
Dana Steele, LHRC, Vice Chair
Hillary Zaneveld, Human Rights Advocate DBHDS
Robert Daniel, Tidewater Psychotherapy Services
Rose Smith, Finney Psychotherapy Associates
Nina Joyner, New Life Programs and Family Systems II
Angelo Morlino, Vito, Inc.
Susan Wilson, Pendleton Child Services Center
Rebecca Wood, Dominion Psychiatric, PLLC-Turning Point
Shawnta Wright, Sarah's Place
Linda Bright, Health Care Services of Hampton Roads, Inc.
Monica C. Manley, The Barry Robinson Center

ABSENT

Vonda Alston, One Vision & Associates
James Lassiter, Family Net
Jean Bohnhoff, LHRC Secretary
Damon Sutton, Paramount Youth Services

Jean Bohnhoff called last week stating she would be out of town and would be unable to attend. Kathleen Dring called the meeting to order at 9:05 am.

2012 Meeting Dates

Dr. Dring reviewed the remaining meeting dates: July 27, 2012 and October 26, 2012.

Minutes

Ms. Ferguson made a motion to accept the minutes of the January 27, 2012 meeting. Ms. Steele seconded the motion. The committee passed the motion and accepted the minutes.

Advocate's Report

Hillary Zaneveld reported she only received four quarterly reports prior to the meeting today. She reminded all providers that the quarterly reports must be submitted two weeks prior to the meeting date. Ms. Zaneveld also reminded everyone that the reports should be emailed to dhenock@barryrobinson.org. Ms. Henock will forward the reports to Ms. Zaneveld and the committee members.

Ms. Zaneveld reported that Nerissa Rhodes, the newest human rights advocate has resigned her position and will be transitioning to a position with the Office of Licensing. Ms. Zaneveld explained that Mr. Barry Lee and Mr. Ed Gonzales (licensing specialists) have accepted new licensing positions overseeing Intellectual Disabilities. Thus, two vacancies were available in the Office of Licensing and Ms. Rhodes has filled one of the vacancies. She will start on June 12, 2012.

Ms. Zaneveld reported that the first regional training on human rights was held at the Southeastern Training Center in Chesapeake, VA on April 4, 2012. Ms. Zaneveld reported that it went well and she thanked the Barry Robinson Center for providing refreshments. She reported the next training will be in September 2012.

Ms. Zaneveld informed the providers that there is one general position open on the committee

which must be filled as soon as possible.

Program Reports

1. Pendleton Child Services Center – Sue Wilson reviewed her quarterly report. Her quarterly reported indicated they served 36 residents in their residential and day-treatment program. There were no restraints, complaints, or other human rights issues.
2. Tidewater Psychotherapy – Robert Daniel reviewed his quarterly report. His quarterly report indicated they served 59 clients in 2 intensive outpatient and 6 substance abuse groups. There were no restraints, complaints, or other human rights issues.
3. Finney Psychiatric Associates – Rose Smith reviewed her quarterly report. Her quarterly reported indicated they served 32 adult clients in their intensive outpatient chemical dependency program and relapse prevention program. There were no restraints, complaints, or other human rights issues.
4. Paramount Youth Services – No report. Ms. Zaneveld stated she would contact Damon Sutton to inquire about his absence at this quarterly meeting.
5. New Life – Nina Joyner reviewed her quarterly report. Her quarterly report indicated they served 2 residents in Mary's House. There were no restraints, complaints or other human rights issues.
6. Family Systems II – Nina Joyner reviewed her quarterly report. Her quarterly report indicated they served 29 clients in intensive in-home services, 43 clients in mental health support and 29 clients in the therapeutic day treatment program. There were no restraints, complaints or other human rights issues.
7. Vito Inc. – Angelo Morlino reviewed his quarterly report. His quarterly report indicated they served an average of 75 in-home and day support clients. There were no restraints, complaints or other human rights issues. He reported they had a licensing review and as a result have added additional training for human rights awareness.
8. Family Net – No report. Ms. Zaneveld stated she would contact James Lassiter to inquire about his absence at the last three quarterly meetings.
9. Dominion Psychiatric Associates, PLLC-Turning Point- Rebecca Wood reviewed her quarterly report. The quarterly report indicated they served 10 clients in their Intensive Outpatient Chemical Dependency Program and aftercare program. There were no restraints, complaints or other human rights issues.
10. Sarah's Place- Shawnta Wright reviewed her quarterly report. The quarterly report indicated they served one client in their group home. There were no restraints, complaints or other human rights issues.
11. One Vision and Associates- No report. Ms. Zaneveld stated she would contact Vonda Alston to inquire about her absence at the last three quarterly meetings.
12. Health Care Services of Hampton Roads, Inc.- Linda Bright requested that their in-home services organization be affiliated with the committee. Ms. Steele made a motion that the Health Care Services of Hampton Roads, Inc. become affiliated with the Southside

Regional Local Human Rights Committee. Ms. Ferguson seconded the motion. The committee passed the motion and they are now affiliated with this LHRC. Ms. Ferguson made a motion to accept the stated rules of conduct and behavior management plan. Ms. Steele seconded the motion. The committee passed the motion and accepted the stated rules of conduct and behavior management plan.

13. The Barry Robinson Center – HomeBase Services – Monica Manley reviewed the quarterly report. The quarterly report indicated they had an average monthly census of 40. There were no restraints, complaints or other human rights issues.
14. The Barry Robinson Center – Residential-Monica Manley reviewed the quarterly report. The quarterly report indicated they had an average monthly census of 51. The quarterly reported indicated two allegations (one physical abuse and one verbal abuse) which were unfounded. The incidents were discussed during closed session. She also informed the committee that the Center ceased using mechanical transport and mechanical restraint in December 2010, structured living in January 2012 and seclusion in March 2012.

Executive Session

A motion was made, seconded and passed that the LHRC enter into an Executive Session pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-371 (A) for the purpose of reviewing the two incidents at The Barry Robinson Center.

Exit Executive Session

Upon reconvening into public session, the LHRC unanimously certified to the best of each member's knowledge, only public matters, lawfully exempt from statutory open meeting requirements, and only public business matters identified to the motion to reconvene this session, the Executive Session, were discussed in the Executive Session.

After reconvening into public session, the Southside Regional Local Human Rights Committee indicated they made no recommendations regarding the two incidents at The Barry Robinson Center.

The committee voted on officers. Ms. Steele made a motion to accept Dr. Kathy Dring as the Chair, Ms. Dana Steele as the Vice Chair and Jean Bohnhoff as the Secretary. Ms. Ferguson seconded the motion. The committee passed the motion and accepted the officers as stated.

There was no public comment. The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 a.m.